

## Evenwood & Barony Parish Council

### MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON

**TUESDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2020**

**COUNCILLORS:** B. Nicholson (Chair)      A. Lyons      R. Spraggon  
B. Maude      R. Webb      J. Sewell  
A. Deakin      P. Townsend  
Clerk: Martin Clark

Visitors: M. Paul, Teesdale Mercury

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

No members of the public in attendance

#### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies were received and approved from Cllr Adams (unwell), and Cllr Prince (holiday)

#### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

None declared

#### **3. MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14 JANUARY 2020:**

**RESOLVED:** The minutes of the ordinary council meeting held on the 14 January 2020 were proposed as a true record by Cllr Spraggon and seconded by Cllr Maude

#### **4. PROGRESS REPORT:**

The Clerk referred to the written report issued with the agenda

**RESOLVED:** The Progress report was noted.

#### **5. LOCAL MAINTENANCE:**

Cllr Deakin referred to the rubbish bin located within the Lands play area. It is being used primarily to put dog fouling in and felt this was inappropriate within a play area. Could the council consider asking the bin to be removed.

Cllr Nicholson informed members of issues relating to the Welfare Ground:

An inspection of the drains was carried out at a cost of £180.00. The assessment that came back was work was required at a cost of over £3000. It is believed the drains requiring work are not the responsibility of the council – it is only responsible for the drains to the pavilion.

**Action:** The Welfare Committee would be given the information and asked to seek a report, discuss with the cricket club and report back to the council in due course.

A request has been received from the cricket club to have permanent practice nets placed on the Welfare Ground. It was not clear of where these would be located or their size.

**Action:** Welfare Committee to talk to the club and collect the information and refer back to council.

Cllr Sewell referred to a tree planted on the grass verge in Windmill. Could the council check with Durham highways on permissions required and had they been sought.

A request to fill the pot holes on the unadopted roads around the green has been requested. It was agreed to consider road plainings but any work would be in the summer.

**6. CORRESPONDANCE:**

Durham County Council – Notification of a consultation on the proposed removal by BT of the phone kiosk outside the Bay Horse, Manor Street.  
The council had no comment to make.

**7. FINANCE/ACCOUNTS:**

7.1 February Financial Report

The Clerk informed members of one additional invoice for payment:

H & H Land and Estates £6.00

**RESOLVED:** The February Financial Report was proposed as a true record by Cllr Deakin.  
Seconded by Cllr Lyons.

**8. EXEMPT ITEM:**

8.1 Legal issues – purchase of Copeland Road Allotments

Members noted the advice received from its solicitors and agreed action to be taken.

8.2 Staffing

Members noted the Clerks resignation and agreed action on transition

**9. PLANNING:**

None

**10. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING:**

Tuesday 10 March 2020, 7pm Randolph Community Centre

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